

# Changes to YoungStar for 2019/2020

January 1, 2018

The items outlined in this document are clarifications or modifications that will be made to YoungStar for 2019/ 2020 implementation. These will be effective for any program that applies to YoungStar on or after January 1, 2019 or whose anniversary date is in 2019 or 2020.

General Clarifications That Apply to All YS Programs		
Category	Indicator	Clarification
General		<p>A Guidance Document has been created and will be available for programs to learn more about any YoungStar indicators. Narrative and support information will no longer be included in the Evaluation Criteria document.</p> <p>The Evaluation Criteria will be put in the order of Required Points first then Optional Points.</p>
Educational Qualifications	A.1.1	<p>Lead Teachers in Track 2 (Group Centers) will change from Registry Level 7 at 50% of the classrooms to 25% of the Lead Teachers in classrooms at Level 7 and 25% of Lead Teachers at Level 6. The same changes apply to Group Leaders in School-Age programs (Track 3) and Counselors in Day Camp programs (Track 4).</p> <p>The Family Child Care educational qualification required for 3 Star will change from Registry Level 9 to Registry Level 7.</p> <p>A three related credit option has been added to Registry Level 6 to support the above YoungStar requirements. The three credits must align with specifically identified coursework or credentials.</p>
Learning Environment and Curriculum	B.1.1	The Self-Assessment point has been removed and reassigned to B.2.2. Self-Assessments will continue to be required (for micro-grants and any rating greater than 2 Star).
	B.1.2	The Quality Improvement Plan point has been removed and reassigned to B.3.2. Quality Improvement Plans will continue to be required (for micro-grants and any rating greater than 2 Star).
	B.1.3	Developmentally Appropriate Practices has been revised as Developmentally Appropriate Environment, Incorporating Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards and/or School-Age Curricular Framework and will be a required point for 3, 4 and 5 Star programs.
	B.2.2	Curriculum/Programming aligned with WMELS or SACF will increase from 1 point to 2 points.
	B.3.2	Teacher Uses Intentional Planning to Improve Individual Child Outcomes will increase from 1 point to 2 points.
Family Engagement	C.5.1-4	The examples and the activities have been reduced to better align with child outcomes.
Health and Wellbeing	D.1.4	Child Abuse and Neglect training will be removed from D.1.4 beginning January 1, 2019. This includes the ECE 10-307-167 Health, Safety and Nutrition Course from a WI Technical College and any Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention training that is already required for regulated programs. Only Strengthening Families Training will count for D.1.4 in ratings taking place under the 2019/2020 criteria.